

ATTACHMENT 2

Step Therapy Instructions for Proton Pump Inhibitor Drugs

Proton Pump Inhibitor (PPI) drugs on the Wisconsin Medicaid Preferred Drug List (PDL) require step therapy. Step therapy requires a recipient to try and fail one or more preferred drugs before obtaining prior authorization (PA) for a non-preferred drug. The preferred PPI drug is Prilosec OTC®.

Prescribers may begin submitting the Prior Authorization/Preferred Drug List (PA/PDL) for Proton Pump Inhibitor (PPI) Drugs form, HCF 11078 (Dated 12/04), to dispensing providers for non-preferred PPI drugs on and after January 19, 2005. Current, approved PAs will be honored until their expiration date.

Dispensing providers should not submit PA requests for non-preferred PPI drugs for a SeniorCare participant until the participant has tried and failed Prilosec OTC®. The cost of a 30-day supply of Prilosec OTC® is comparable to the cost of a SeniorCare participant's copayment for a brand name drug.

Clinical criteria for approval of a non-preferred PPI drug includes the following:

- The trial and failure of, or adverse reaction to, a preferred PPI drug.
- If the recipient is a child weighing less than 20 kilograms.
- If the recipient is a pregnant woman.

Providers may refer to Attachments 3 and 4 of this *Wisconsin Medicaid and BadgerCare Update* for the Prior Authorization/Preferred Drug List (PA/PDL) for Proton Pump Inhibitor (PPI) Drugs Completion Instructions, HCF 11078A (Dated 12/04), and a copy of the PA/PDL for PPI Drugs form.